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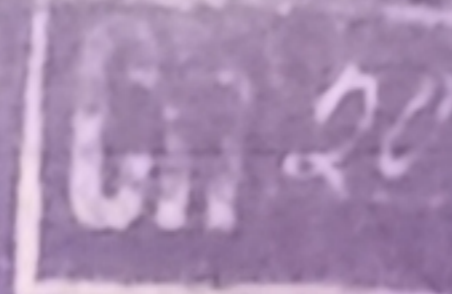
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B.S. CARD #

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD COMMERCIAL TV

FIRST C. O. 9-25-53 (started 9-30-53)

Date first licensed 2-13-56 (Off. No. 159)



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(Sta. Loc. Springfield, Illinois)

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SPRINGFIELD PARTNERSHIP (PARTNERSHIP CONSISTING OF CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS OF
Name of licensee X PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION / PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION (AL gr.
4-7-80)

3.8 mi. W. of Mechanicsburg, Ill. (BPCT-4487 7-12-72)

X 3.5 miles west of Mechanicsburg, nr. Mechanicsburg, Ill. (BPCT-2268 5-14-57) LIC. 1-14-59)

X 3000 South 4th Street, Springfield, Illinois (BPCT-1237, 8-19-53)

Transmitter location X - Near U.S. Highway 66, 1 mile S.E. of Springfield, Illinois

2680 East Cook Street, Springfield, Illinois (LTR.rec. 11-27-64 EFF: 12-5-64)

X 523 East Capital Avenue, Springfield, Illinois (BPCT-1237, 8-19-53)

Main studio location X - To be determined, Springfield, Illinois

LIC. 1-14-59)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BPCT-1101	2-25-53	Ch. #20 506-512 Mcs	V-18.2 kw A-10.2 kw	U	4-25-53 10-25-53
Construction permit for a new Commercial TV B/C station					
BMPCT-1237	8-19-53	same	V. 17.4 A. 9.33	kw U	4-25-53 2-25-54
Mod. CP (BPCT-1101) to change S-L & T-L, change ERP, change make transmitters & antenna.					
WIRE 1237.	9-25-53	STA operate comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-1237. Period ending February 25, 1954. (Start 9-30-53)			
BPCT-1820	2-4-54	same	same	same	4-25-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1101, as mod) to extend compl. date 8-24-54					
Conversion of obstruction marking specifications					
8-19-54	EXT STA Opr.	Comm basis accordance CP BMPCT-1820			
pending completion of performance measurements for license application. Period Ending 8-24-54					
BPCT-2350	8-5-54	same	same	same	4-25-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1101, as mod) to extend completion date 2-24-55					
Wire	8-9-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-2350 pending filing of Lic. appl. Per. End. 2-24-55.			
WIRE	2-7-55	EXT. STA Opr. Comm. basis accord. CP BMPCT-2836 pending filing of Lic. Appl. Per. End. 8-24-55.			
BPCT-2836	2-7-55	same	same	same (Long Form)	4-25-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1101, as mod) to extend completion date 8-24-55					
BPCT-296	2-13-56	same	same	same	
license to cover CP (BPCT-1101, as mod) 2-13-56 12-1-58					
BTC-2150	4-9-56	Voluntary acquisition of negative control of permittee corporation by each, Transcontinental Properties, Inc. & H. & E. Balaban Corporation, through sale of stock to the permittee by WCBS, Incorporated. EFF: 5-11-56.			
BPCT-2268	5-14-57	CH #20	V-724 kw	U	7-14-57
AH 950'		506-512	A-363 kw		11-13-57
CP to chg. ERP, SL, type of transm. ant. & equipment.					
BMPCT-4853	10-2-57	same	V-406 kw	U	7-4-57
AH: 950'			A-204 kw		4-1-58
Mod. CP (BPCT-2268) to chg. ERP, type of transmitters, equip.					
BMPCT-5037	3-12-58	same	same	same	7-4-57
Mod. CP (BPCT-2268, as mod.) to extend completion date 7-15-58					

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Station location Springfield, Illinois

Name of licensee PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location SEECARD # 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To--
BMPCT-5124	6-26-58	same	same	same	7-15-58
Mod. CP(BPCT-2268, as mod) to ext. completion date 10-1-58					
WIRE	7-31-58	NO OBJECTION OPERATION WICS WITHOUT MONITORS FOR VIS. & AUR. TRANSM. ACCORD. SECTION 3.690 & 3.691 RULES. PER. END. 10-1-58			
BMPCT-5173	9-5-58	same	same	same	7-15-58
Mod. CP (BPCT-2268, as mod) to extend completion dt. 11-1-58					
WIRE	9-25-58	AUTH. GR. OPR. WICS ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 3.629 RULES & CP BMPCT-5188. ADVISE/BEGAN 9-30-58			
BMPCT-5188	9-25-58	CH #20	V-309 kw	U	7-15-58
AH: 940'		506-512	A-155 kw		11-1-58
Mod. CP (BPCT-2268, as mod) to chg. ERP, type of ant. AH, equip.					
BRCT-159	11-5-58	same	same	same	12-1-58
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-61
WIRE	2-18-59	PENDING REPLACEMENT, NO OBJECTION OPERATE WICS TEMP. FOR PERIOD NOT IN EXCESS OF 60 DAYS WITHOUT FREQUENCY MONITOR ACCORD. SECTION 3.690(B) OF RULES. ADVISE			
BLCT-865	1-14-59	CH #20	V-309kw	U	1-14-59 12-1-61
AH: 940'		506-512	A-155 kw	MSL: 1590'	
License to cover CP (BPCT-2268, as mod).					
ACTION ON RENEWAL DEFERRED 11-29-61					
BRCT-159	4-5-62	same	same	same	4-5-62
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-64
BTC-3993	4-12-62	Voluntary acquisition of negative control by each, Herbert Scheftel (50%) and Alfred G. Burger (50%) of transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) through sale of 30.5 shares of stock by Paul F. Warburg to Transcontinental Properties, Inc. EFFECTIVE: 4-23-62			
BTC-4225	3-11-63	Involuntary transfer of negative control of Transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) from Alfred G. Burger to Herbert Scheftel, Cecile A. Burger and Abraham L. Bienstock, EPP; Executors of the Estate of Alfred G. Burger, Deceased. 3-29-63			
BMLCT-145	5-19-64	CH. 20	V-309 kw	U	5-19-64
AH: 940'	MSL: 1590'	506-512	A- 55 kw		12-1-64
Mod. of License to Decrease AURAL ERP.					

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Name of licensee PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRCT-159	7-15-65	CH. 420	V-309 kw	U	7-15-65
AH: 940' MSL: 1590'		506-512 mcs.	A-55 kw		12-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE		RENEWAL OF LICENSE new studio loca.			
BRCT-159	11-24-67	same	same	same	12-1-67
RENEWAL OF LICENSE					12-1-70
BPCT-4167	3-28-69	CH. 20	V-142 kw	U	5-28-69
AH: 1430' MSL: 2049'		506-512	A-14.2 kw		11-28-69
CP to chg. ERP; type		trans.; type antenna; AH.			
BMPCT-7045	8-8-69	CH. 20	V-684 kw	U	
AH: 940' MSL: 1590'		506-512	A-68.4 kw		11-28-69
MP (BPCT-4167) chg. ERP, & type of transmitters.					
BMPCT-7107	11-14-69	MP (BPCT-4167, as mod) Ext. date			5-14-70
WIRE	3-19-70	PENDING COMPLETION CONSTRUCTION AND			
FILING LIC. APPLI.		AUTH. GR. OPER TEMP. PER. END. 4-19-70			
WITH ANTENNA AND TOWER SPECIFIED IN BMPCT-7107.					
WIRE	4-16-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 5-14-70			
BMPCT-7188	5-4-70	MP TO EXTEND COMPL. DATE(3)			11-4-70
WIRE	5-14-70	ABOVE AUTH. EXT. TO 8-14-70			
WIRE	11-3-70	RE TENDERED LIC. APPLI. AUTH. GR.			
OPER. ON PTA CP BPCT-4167					
BRCT-159	11-25-70	(a)	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		12-1-73
BICT-2044	1-22-71	Ch. 20	V. 141 kw	U	1-22-71
AH: 1430' MSL: 2049'		506-512	A. 14.1 kw		12-1-73
Lic. (BPCT-4167 as mod.) chg.					
NDEA ISSUED EFFECTIVE 12-1-70					
EBSA	5-15-72				
BPCT-4487	7-12-72	Ch. 20	V. 676 kw	U	9-12-72
AH: 1430' MSL: 2049'		506-512	A. 67.6		1-12-74
CP chg. ERP & trans.					
BTC-6898	7-31-72	Vol. TC			
Wire	11-30-72	Re tendered lic. appl., auth. gtd. oper			
PTA accord. 73.629 & BPCT-4487.					
Wire	12-15-72	re pend resolution of hazardous cond. due			
to extreme ice of trans. tower., auth. grt. oper. temp. per. ending					
12-27-72 at 50% lic. power & via RC from M. Studio. This auth.					
subj. to causing no inter. to other auth. services & main					
taing comp. control of trans.					

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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BLCT-2187 AH: 1430' Lic. (BPCT-4487) for	1-26-73 MSL: 2049'	Ch. 20 506-512	V. 676 kw A. 67.6 kw	U	12-1-73
BRCTV-146	4-17-73	Remote control authority			
BRCT-159	11-14-74	Renewal of license (S)			12-1-76
BTC-7754	5-20-75	INVOL TC OF NEG. CONTROL			
BRCT-159	11-30-76	Renewal of license (S)			12-1-79
BTC-8482	3-13-78	VOL. T/C			
BRCT-790801KX	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			12-1-82
BALCT-790521KG	4-7-80	Vol. AL			

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(~~c/o U.S. Corporation Co. of Ill., 22 N. LaSalle St. Chicago 2, Ill.~~)

File No.	Dated	Room 642, 190 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois. Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1101	7-30-52	Construction permit for Comm. TV B/C station	GRANTED:	2-25-53
Rec'd	7-30-52	FREQ: Ch. #20, 506-512 mcs.	ERP	Vis. 18.2 kw
Filed	7-30-52	ERP: Vis. 18 kw., Aur. 10 kw.		Aur. 10.2
		Hours of operation: Unlimited		340'
		S-L: To be determined, Springfield, Illinois.		
		T-L: 1 mi. SE of Springfield, near U.S. Hy 66, nr. Springfield, Illinois.		
		(Vis. & Aur. DuMont 13000) (335')		
		Filed by McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.		
AMENDED	2-16-53	Amended to change name of applicant from		
Rec'd	2-16-53	Plains Television Great Plains Television		
Filed	2-16-53	Properties, Inc. to Plains Television Corpora- tion		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMFCT-1237 Rec'd Filed	7-11-53 7-15-53 7-15-53	Mod. of construction permit (BPCT-1101, which authorized a new commercial TV B/C station) to change studio location from "to be determined" in Springfield, Ill. to 523 E. Capitol Ave., Springfield, Ill., change T site from Nr. U.S. Hwy. 66, 1 mi. S.E. of Springfield, Ill. to 3000 S. 4th St., Springfield, Ill. change ERP from Vis. 18.2kw, Aur. 10.2kw to Vis. 17.4kw, Aur. 9.3kw, change make transmitters and type antenna. (430') (Vis. & Aur. RCA TTU-1B) Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, atty.	GRANTED	8-19-53
Amended Recd & filed	8-5-53 8-6-53	Amended to correct the co-ordinates of the above transmitter site. Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.		
BMFCT-1820 Recd. Filed	1-28-54 2-1-54 2-1-54	Mod. of CP(BPCT-1101, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-25-54 to 8-24-54. Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	2-4-54

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Springfield, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-2350 Recd.&Filed	7-9-54 7-23-54	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1101, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 8-24-54 to 2-24-55. Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	8-5-54
BPCT-2836 Recd.&Filed	1-11-55 1-20-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1101, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 2-24-55 to 8-24-55. Filed by Vernon L. Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED	2-7-55
BLCT-296 Recd.&Filed	1-18-55 4-6-55	License to cover CP (BPCT-1101, as mod.) which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station. Filed by L.P.B. Emerson, Atty.	GRANTED	2-13-56
AMENDED Recd.&Filed	4-15-55 4-25-55	Amended to correct geographical coordinates and antenna height above average terrain. Filed by L.P.B. Emerson, Atty.		

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(Springfield, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-2150 RECD & FILED	1-20-56	Voluntary acquisition of negative control of permittee corporation by each, Transcontinental Properties, Inc. & H. & E. Balaban Corporation, through sale of stock to the permittee by W C B S, Incorporated. Filed by Leonidas P. B. Emerson, Atty	GRANTED	4-9-56
	1-27-56		EFF	5-11-56
HPC-2268 Recd & filed	1-11-57	OP to make changes in facilities of existing Commercial TV broadcast station to change ERP from Vis. 17.4 kw, Aur. 9.33 kw to Vis. 811 kw, Aur. 367 kw, change transmitter location from 3000 South 4th Street, Spring- field, Ill to S. W. Corner of Sec. 29, Mecha- nicsburg, Twp., 3.5 miles West of Mechanics- burg, Ill., change type of transmitters and antenna and make other equipment changes. (Vis & Aur. RCA-TTU-2SB) (949.1) Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	5-14-57
	1-18-47			

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-4853 Recd & Filed	8-19-57 9-5-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2268 which auth. changes in existing station) to change ERP from Vis. 724 kw., Aur. 363 kw. to Vis. 406 kw., Aur. 182.5 kw.; change type of transmitters to RCA TTU-12A and other equipment changes. Edward R. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	10-2-57
BMPCT-5037 Recd. & filed Ext. # 1	2-17-58 3-3-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2268, as mod., which auth. chgs. in existing station) to extend completion date from 4-1-58 to 7-15-58.	GRANTED	3-12-58
BMPCT-5124 Rec. & filed	6-6-58 6-9-58	Modification of construction permit (BPCT-2268, as modified, which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from July 15, 1958 TO October 1, 1958. James A. McKenna, Jr. - Atty.	GRANTED	6-26-58
BMPCT-5173 Recd. & filed	8-25-58 8-28-58	Mod. of CP (BPCT-2268, as mod., which authorized changes in existing station) to extend completion date from 10-1-58 to 11-1-58. Filed by J.A. McKenna, Jr. Atty. F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.	GRANTED	9-5-58

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Name **PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION**
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-159 Recd & Filed	8-28-58 9-2-58	Renewal of License. Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Attorney	GRANTED	11-5-58
BMPOT-5188 Recd & filed	9-18-58 9-22-58	Mod. of CP (BPOT-2268, as mod., which auth chgs. in existing station) to change ERP from Vis. 406 kw, Aur. 204 kw to Vis. 309 kw Aur. 139 kw, change type of antenna and other equipment and antenna height above average terrain to 943.8 feet Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr. Atty.	GRANTED	9-25-58

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION
Springfield, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-865 Recd & Filed	9-19-58 9-22-58	Application for License to cover CP (BRCT-2268 as mod.) which authorized changes in existing station Contingent on gr of BRCT-5188. Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	1-14-59
BRCT-159 Recd. & Filed	8-31-61 9-5-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	4-5-62
BTC-3993 R & F	2-12-62 2-26-62	Voluntary acquisition of negative control by each, Herbert Scheftel (50%) and Alfred G. Burger (50%) of Transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) through sale of 30.5 shares of stock by Paul F. Warburg to Transcontinental Properties, Inc. Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED EFF: 4-23-62	4-12-62

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Name PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION 62703
Springfield, Illinois (P.O. 2680 East Cook Street, Springfield, Ill/Let. 1-24-66
Recd. 10-24-66)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-4225 Rec.&Filed	2-21-63 2-25-63	Involuntary transfer of negative control of Transcontinental Properties, Inc. (50% stockholder of licensee corporation) from Alfred G. Burger to Herbert Scheftel, Cecile E. Burger and Abraham L. Bienstock, Executors of the Estate of Alfred G. Burger, Deceased. McKenna & Wilkinson-atty.	GRANTED EFF:	3-11-63 3-29-63
BMLCT-145 R & F	4-16-64 4-23-64	Modification of license to Decrease Aural ERP from 155 kw to 55.7 kw. *McKenna & Wilkinson- (Robert Coll., Atty)	GRANTED	5-19-64
BRCT-159 Recd. FILED	8-28-64 9-3-64 9-16-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE *McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty.	GRANTED SUBJECT to such action as may be taken under	7-15-65
Dockets No. 15415 & 15971 or any proceeding which may be instituted thereunder.				

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-159 R & F	8-25-67 8-31-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John L. Tierney, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-24-67
SEP 14 1967				
BPCT-4167 R & F Press #473055 \$30	11-4-68 11-19-68 DEC 4 1968 11-19-68	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 142 kw (Horz), Aur. 14.2 kw (Horz); type trans. RCA TTU-12B; type antenna RCA TFU-42J Special; antenna struc.; and antenna height above average terrain to 1430 feet. McKenna & Wilkinson, Atty. David L. Steel, Sr., Engr.	GRANTED	3-28-69
			CONDITION: that such action as may be taken under Dock. No. 15971 or any proceeding which may be instituted thereunder	
BPCT-7045 R & F \$30 #527634 PRESS	6-10-69 7-9-69 " JUL 15 1969	MP (BPCT-4167) to chg. ERP to Vis. 684 kw (Horz) Aur. 68.4 kw (Horz); and type of transmitters to RCA TTU-60A. John L. Tierney, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	8-8-69
			CANCELLED	12-15-70

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-7107 R & F \$30 #555375 PRESS	11-4-69 11-7-69 " NOV 14 1969	MP (BPCT-4167, as mod.) to extend completion date to MAY 28, 1970. Norman P. Leventhal, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-14-69
BMPCT-7188 R & F \$30 #596353 PRESS	4-21-70 4-27-70 " APR 30 1970	MP (BPCT-4167, as mod.) to extend completion date to 11-14-70. John L. Tierney, Atty. (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	5-4-70
ENGR. DATA FILED BRCT-159 Rec. & filed PN Recd PRESS	7-7-70 8-20-70 8-28-70 8-28--70 SEP 4 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Carl R. Ramey (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	11-25-70
BLCT-2044 Received Filed #636503 \$50 NOV 10 1969	10-10-70 10-13-70 11-3-70 10-13-70 DEC 3 1970	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4167 as mod.) for chgs. Atty.: J. L. Tierney (McKenna & Wilkinson)	GRANTED	1-22-71

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4487 R & F #028291 \$50 AC: 062 PRESS	12-22-71 12-28-71 12-28-71 JAN 14 1972	CP to chg. ERP to Vis. 684kw(H), Aur. 68.4kw(H) and type trans. to RCA TTU-60B1. Atty.: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 6-20-72 re engr. data.	GRANTED COMMISSION ACTION	7-12-72 <i>li</i>
BTC-6898 R & F #088561 \$250 AC: 055 PRESS:	6-29-72 7-5-72 7-5-72 JUL 11 1972	Voluntary transfer of negative control of licensee corporation from Transcontinental Properties, Inc. to Emile Burger and Herbert Scheffel, Voting Trustees. Atty.: Thomas N. Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED EFF:	7-31-72 8-8-72
BLCT-2187 R & F 132224 \$50-AC-069 PRESS:	11-20-72 11-29-72 11-29-72 JAN 11 1973	License to cover (BPCT-4487) for changes. Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson and Kittner)	GRANTED	1-26-73

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Name **PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION**
CH-20 SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCTV-146 R & F #163166 \$50 AC-069 PRESS:	3-9-73 3-15-73 3-15-73 APR 11 1973	Request authority to operate trans. by remote control from 2680 East Cook Street, Springfield, Illinois. Atty: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED	4-17-73
BRCT-159 R&F PN REC'D PRESS:	8-2-73 9-4-73 9-4-73 SEP 20 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: Carl R. Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Amended 11-1-73 re legal Amended 12-21-73 re equal employment	GRANTED	11-14-74
BTC-7754 R & F #424076 \$150. AC 051 Form 316 PRESS:	4-30-75 5-7-75 MAY 15 1975	Involuntary transfer of negative control of licensee corporation from Cecile Burger and Herbert Scheftel, Voting Trustees to Herbert Scheftel and Andrew Burger, Voting Trustees.	GRANTED	5-20-75 EFF: 6-2-75

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BRCT-159 R&F PN RECD PRESS	6-18-76 8-2-76 8-2-76 25 AUG 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Carl Ramey (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) Contours filed, Annual report filed. AMENDED 10-6-76 re additional response	GRANTED	11-30-76
BTC-8422 R&F PRESS (Form 316)	8-31-77 9-26-77 OCT 31 1977	Voluntary transfer of control of Plains Television Corporation from H&E Balaban Corporation and Herbert Scheftel and Andrew Burger as Voting Trustees (negative control) to Elmer Balaban, Harry Balaban and Ida Balaban Scully as Voting Trustees. Atty.: Thomas Frohock (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner)	GRANTED EFF:	3-13-78 5-3-78

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SPRINGFIELD PARTNERSHIP (PARTNERSHIP CONSISTING OF CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS OF PLAINS TELEVISION
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BALCT-890521KB R&F PN REC'D (FORM 316) PRESS	5-21-79 6-12-79 '79 0618	Voluntary assignment of lic. to SPRINGFIELD PARTNERSHIP (PARTNERSHIP CONSISTING OF CERTAIN STOCKHOLDERS OF PLAINS TELEVISION CORPORATION) Carl R. Ramey, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	4-7-80 5-27-80
BALCT-790521KH R&F PN REC'd (form 316) PRESS	5-21-79 '79 0618	Voluntary assignment of lic. to WICS ACQUISITION CORPORATION Carl R. Ramey, Atty.	EFF:	6-2-80
BRCT-790801KX PN REC'D PRESS	7-23-79 8-1-79 '79 0829	RENEWAL OF LICENS ATTY: CARE R. RAMEY (MCKENNA, WILDINSON & KETNER)	GRANTED	11-30-79 11-30-79

PETITION TO DENY 7-18-79 by Morton L. Berfield for Windmill & Company

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 7-31-79 by Carl R. Ramey for Plains Television Corp. and WICS Acquisition Corp.

OPPOSITION TO "PETITION TO DENY" 8-29-79 by Carl R. Ramey for Plains Television Corporation and WICS Acquisition Corporation.

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast radio stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of television station history.

